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Re: Inventor: Masanori SAITOH, et al.  
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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Notice to File Corrected Application Papers  
Letter Submitting Replacement Drawing Sheet(s)/Replacement Sheets (49)

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event that any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 CFR 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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***Filing Date Granted***


An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

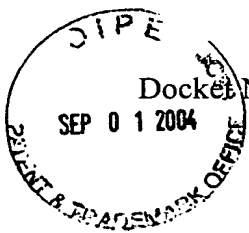
- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
  - The drawings must be reasonably free from erasures and must be free from alterations, overwriting, interlineations, folds, and copy marks. See Figure(s) 24.

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EXAMINER:

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**LETTER SUBMITTING REPLACEMENT DRAWING SHEET(S)**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
Alexandria, VA 22313

SIR:

Responsive to the below indicated communication, the following drawing sheets are submitted herewith:

- ☒ 49 Replacement Drawing Sheets ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ New Drawing Sheets
- ☐ Official Action dated \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Notice of Allowance/Issue Fee dated \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ Other Notice to File Corrected Application Papers dated July 1, 2004

The changes and/or modifications made include the following:

The replacement drawing sheets are submitted to meet the Patent and Trademark Office requirement.

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